PUBLIC NOTICE

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services

Partial Opening of Swan Point Oyster Bar (Kent County) — Effective 11/25/2019

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces that a portion of Swan Point oyster bar in Kent County is opened to oyster harvest.

AREA OPENED

Swan Point (PSFA 9 (NOB 2-9): Upper Chesapeake Bay)

The portion of Swan Point being opened is: All the waters of the Chesapeake Bay enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 39°8.687' N and Long. 76°18.303' W; then running 18° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°9.566' N and Long. 76°17.909' W; then running 81° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°9.595' N and Long. 76°17.661' W; then running 192° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°8.628' N and Long. 76°17.918' W; then running 270° True to the point of beginning.

PURPOSE OF THIS OPENING

The purpose of this opening is to allow the harvest of market size oysters that have grown from industry plantings of spat-on-shell made in 2016, 2017, and 2018. This opening was requested by the Kent County Oyster Committee.

HARVEST RULES FOR THE DESCRIBED AREA

Harvesters must follow the rules established by the public notices effective September 19, 2019 titled "2019-2020 Commercial Oyster Rules — Effective 9/19/2019" and "2019-2020 Recreational Oyster Rules — Effective 9/19/2019."

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This opening applies to all individuals who catch oysters recreationally or commercially.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This notice is effective at 12:01 a.m. November 25, 2019. The area described is open from November 25, 2019 through and including March 31, 2020.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.04.11G

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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